

JESSIE F. DALMAN 90th Representative District



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Committees: Colleges and Universities; Education (Minority Vice Chair); Judiciary

Biography:

Republican, of Holland; born May 17, 1933, at Detroit; graduate of Detroit's Redford High School; B.A., business administration, Michigan State University; while working at the Survey Research Center at the University of Michigan, she received her M.A. in economics, and did graduate work at Wayne State University; married in 1957 to Ronald L. Dalman; three children: Ronald L. Dalman, M.D., Friedrich Dalman, M.D., and Kristina M. Dalman, J.D. The Dalmans are members of Christ Memorial Church in Holland. Jessie is serving her fourth term in the Michigan House of Representatives. Prior to her election, she served for twelve years as a county commissioner representing Holland City and Park Township. She was elected chair of the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners in 1989 and 1990, the first woman to hold that position. Dalman is a past president of the Holland Historical Trust as well as the Margaret Hummer Hospital Guild and the Holland Junior Welfare League. She is a charter member of the Holland League of Women Voters. A life member of Kappa Alpha Theta at Michigan State University, she has continuing memberships in the Holland Woman in Transition, Holland Right to Life, Hope College Patron for the Arts, and the UM Alumni Association's President's Club. Dalman was honored by the Michigan League of Women Voters for her work on the State Health Coordinating Council Executive Board and by the West Michigan Health Alliance for her work as chair of that group; she has also been honored by the Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education for her work on postsecondary options legislation for high school juniors and seniors; elected to the House of Representatives, 1990; Associate Speaker Pro Tempore Emeritus.

